

SFBRHS NEWSLETTER

TAKING THE NEXT STEP

After months of study and planning we feel confident that the time is right to move forward with the first phase of our two-phase proposal to

improve on our facilities for extra-curricular activities at St. Francis Borgia Regional High School. Our first initiative is to build a track and a synthetic surface athletic field. Our students, and the greater Borgia community, will benefit greatly from this needed revitalization of our campus.

We intend to build a regulation four-hundred meter eight-lane track, with designated areas for shot-put, high jump, long jump, pole vault, discus throw and an added walking track. Borgia will have facilities that will conform to the official guidelines for home track meets, in addition to enabling us to host district, and regional events.

Soccer, football, marching band, physical education classes, and much more will be served by the synthetic surface athletic field. The regulation length athletic field will be two-hundred and six feet wide and permanently marked to accommodate soccer



and football. Rain postponements will become a part of Borgia's history when this multi-purpose athletic field becomes a reality.

The press box will be moved to the east sideline adjacent to the track. This facility will house a multi-media press box on the second floor and a storage facility for track and field equipment on the main level.

Other additions will include: designated handicap parking spaces and a handicap seating area, the renovation and moving of the present bleachers, a courtyard adjacent to the concession stand, a wall of fame immortalizing some of our past outstanding athletes, and a recognition walk-way acknowledging our contributors.

The total cost of this project will be \$1,200,000.00. We have set up an ambitious timeline to have this track and field ready for the fall of 2010. To make this a reality it must become a true community endeavor. Keep the date of March 21, at 4:00 PM open for our gala kick-off event. More information is forthcoming.

2010-2011 REGISTRATION

Students will receive Course Description Guides and registration forms from their advisors at school on Monday, February 8. Please ask students to review their choices with you. If you or your students have questions about a class, communicate with the academic dean, the advisor, the guidance counselor, or Dr. Heger, principal. All registrations are due on Monday, February 22. The student needs to obtain a parent signature and submit a \$40 registration fee by February 22. Fees for any late registrations (after February 22) will be \$45. Be sure to first consult the pages of the Course Description Guide for important information. Freshman registration is Thursday, March 4. If you know of an 8th grader interested in SFBRHS who has not yet started the registration process, please encourage the student to call the high school.

Mark Your Calendars Now

Mass: Catholic	02/01
Schools Week	9:40 AM
Music Assn. Meeting	02/01 7 PM
Athletic Assn. Meeting	02/03 7:30 PM
First Friday Adoration	02/05
German Klub Dinner	02/05 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Coffee with the Principal	02/08 8-9 AM
Registration for 2010-2011 Classes	02/08 to 02/22
Faculty Mtg. 12:30 PM Dismissal	02/10
Academic Assn. Meeting	02/11 7 PM
"A Knight to Remember" Dinner Auction	02/13
President's Day - No School	02/15
Advisory Board Mtg.	02/17
Archdiocesan Band Festival	02/28



“A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER” DINNER AUCTION

“A Knight to Remember” Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, February 13, 2010. There is still time to make plans to attend this fun evening. Every year the funds that are raised are used to provide financial assistance to many students and their families.

Tuition Raffle - Who will be the Lucky Winner? Remember you only have until February 12 to buy your tickets. In addition to being able to win tuition for a year, we are also giving parents a second chance to win. Second prize is book fees. So don't miss out. If you can't find the tickets we sent you, just call the Advancement Office at 636-239-7871, ext. 122.

SENIOR QUILT RAFFLE



One of a Kind Heirloom: As many of you know, the Senior Quilt is a long-standing tradition at SFBRRHS. This year senior parent, Jennifer Hill (Luke '10), grandmother, Mary Ann Vehige (Whitney '11) and former parent, Linda Sellmeyer, have designed and created the senior quilt.

The quilt will be hanging on display at the Dinner Auction. The winner will be drawn at graduation practice. All seniors have an opportunity to purchase tickets for the raffle.

Raffle tickets will be mailed to all senior parents in late February, and you can buy as many as you want. Grandparents, friends, godparents, etc. may also buy chances for your special senior. There is no limit as to the number of chances that may be purchased. Chances can be returned or mailed to the Borgia's Advancement Office and checks should be made payable to SFBRRHS.

If you need additional tickets, just call the Advancement Office at 636-239-7871, ext. 122.

BORGIA FINANCIAL AID

A significant amount of financial aid is available to Borgia students each year. In order to apply for financial aid, you must submit a FACTS form along with a copy of your 2009 income taxes to the archdiocese by early April. Decisions regarding distribution of aid are based upon this data.

On Wednesday, March 24, there will be a meeting to discuss the various types of financial aid, requirements associated with applying for financial aid, and the due dates for submission of applications. Parents of all Borgia students registering for the 2010-2011 school year, including incoming freshmen are invited to attend. This meeting will be held in the cafeteria and will begin at 7 PM.

A Special Thanks to Our Committee Chairpersons:

Thanks to the many dedicated parents, alumni and donors who make this event happen.

Chairpersons:	Dale & Angie Siebert
Co Chairpersons:	Kurt & Kim Voss
Acquisitions:	Susie Blatt, Leann Straatmann, Bev Graham & Julie Landwehr
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Tuition Raffle:	Michelle & Kurt Unnerstall
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Dining Room Set-Up:	Jamie King, Mary Holtmeyer
Theme & Decor:	Sheri Forget & Karen Maniaci
Reservations:	Nancy Fischer, Nancy Neier
Invitations:	Jan Weber
Kitchen:	Kelly & Joe Kopmann
Bar:	Bob Findeiss, John Walsh
Sunday Clean-up:	Joe & Michelle Boland & Andy & Anny Hurtig
Student Coat Check:	Kathy Hertlein, National Honor Society
Banking & Checkout:	Mindy & Kevin Rettke, Sherri Mundwiller
\$10,000 Raffle:	Michelle & Kurt Unnerstall
Caterer:	Gloria Brinker & Borgia Chefs
Borgia LTD:	Connie Stelzer, Sheila Kleekamp
Leasing:	Doris & Tim Glastetter
Homeroom Baskets:	Joette Reidy
Senior Quilt:	Jennifer Hill, Mary Ann Vehige, Linda Sellmeyer



*Thanks so very much
to all the dedicated
volunteers!*

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sat., Feb. 6	ACT Test
Feb. 8—22	Registration for 2010—2011
Tues., Feb. 9	FAFSA Completion Workshop, 6:30 PM in cafeteria
Sat., Feb. 12	ECC students applying for scholarships must have FAFSA submitted
Thurs., Feb. 18	Registration info for 2010-11 school year, 6:30—8:00 PM in cafeteria
Fri., Feb. 26	ECC Scholarship deadline
Sat., Feb. 26	Suggested deadline to have the FAFSA form filed for 4 yr. colleges

DATE CHANGE:

Sat., March 20	SuperSaturday/ACT Prep Class, 8 AM-3:30 PM at Borgia
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SENIOR NEWS:

- It is suggested that the FAFSA form be completed by February 26. Many schools give money on a first-come basis. If taxes are not completed yet, an estimate can be sent and changes can be made when the SAR (Student Aid Report) is returned to the parents. Filing electronically at www.fafsa.ed.gov is the quickest way to get results back.
- **FAFSA Completion Workshop will be held on Tuesday, February 9 in Borgia's cafeteria at 6:30 PM.** This is an evening in which parents can get assistance in completing the FAFSA form. Please bring last year's tax return and the last pay check stub from 2009 or your W2 forms. Also, bring your student's W2 form if applicable.
- Students should continue looking for scholarship money from the school they plan to attend or through outside sources.

TIDBITS, TIDBITS, TIDBITS...

Tuition Reminder: Just a reminder that tuition for the 2009-2010 school year should be paid in full by the end of the school year. Final transcripts will not be sent until all tuition and fees have been paid in full. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. George Wingbermuehle at 636-239-7871, ext. 115.

Senior Parent Meeting: There will be a Senior Parent Meeting on March 4 at 7 PM in the theater. Information regarding end of year activities for Seniors will be discussed.



Coffee With The Principal: Parents are invited to an informal meeting with Dr. Heger in the cafeteria on Monday, February 8 from 8 AM to 9 AM. Coffee, tea and light refreshments will be served.

EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE NEWS FOR SENIORS/JUNIORS:

- If a senior has not completed an ECC application, he must do so as soon as possible and give it to his counselor.
- **To be eligible for ECC scholarships, the FAFSA form must be filed by Feb. 12.**
- The deadline for scholarships to ECC is Feb. 26.

JUNIOR NEWS:

- An ACT Prep Class called SuperSaturday will be offered on Saturday, March 20 from 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM at Borgia. A trial test will be administered and scored on that morning, students will have lunch, and then attend individual prep classes in the afternoon. The cost is \$15. Registration for this day will be on Monday and Tuesday, March 1 & 2 during lunch.
- There are two more ACT test dates this school year: April 10 and June 12. We strongly recommend that juniors take the ACT before their senior year. June 12 is the last ACT test date for this school year. The ACT will not be available again in Missouri until September.
- Many colleges have visit days in the spring for junior students and their parents. Now is a good time to begin looking on college web sites and planning college visit days.

JUNIOR/SOPHOMORE/FRESHMAN NEWS:

- Registration for the 2010-11 school year begins on Feb. 8 and forms must be completed by Feb. 22.
- On Thursday, Feb. 18 from 6:30—8:00 PM counselors will be available in the Guidance Office to answer any questions about course selection for the 2010-11 school year.
- Please work with your child in choosing courses for next year. Test results from the EXPLORE (freshman) and PLAN (sophomore) have been returned to students. We have asked students to share the information with you. Counselors will also use the results to help students choose appropriate courses. We want students to challenge themselves but not overextend themselves. There are many honors and college credit courses available to students. Talk to them about the commitment they will be making in spending extra time with these classes. Sophomores and juniors will also be deciding whether to take classes at 4 Rivers Career Center in Washington. **Once classes are chosen, we ask that there be minimal schedule changes. If you have questions about your child's schedule, please contact his/her counselor.**

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TIDBITS, CONTINUED



Music Performances / Competitions:

Feb. 10 St. Louis Archdiocesan Choir Festival
Feb. 24 Jazz Band, Winter Drumline & Winter
guard Tour

Feb. 28 St. Louis Archdiocesan Instrumental Festival

Junior Unity Day: Please mark April 18, 2010 on your calendar for the Junior Unity Day. Mass will be at noon here at school with brunch to follow. All students are encouraged to attend mass whether they purchase a ring or not. Representatives from Jostens and Altemueller Jewelry have made presentations to the students and sent information packets home with them. Also, watch for more information about the brunch to come home with your son/daughter soon. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Addison by email at addisonn@borgia.com or by phone at 636-239-7871, ext 160.

German Klub Dinner: The German Klub will have the annual German Dinner on February 5 from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM. The menu will be Williams Brothers' German sausage, spaetzle, baked apples, green beans, Schultes' German dinner rolls and our German students' homemade German desserts. Dinner is followed by an exciting boys basketball game versus Vianney. All proceeds benefit the student exchange between Washington and our Sister City, Marbach am Neckar, Germany.



Borgia on Facebook: Borgia now has an account on Facebook which is updated 2-3 times each week. To find us on Facebook, you must first set up a Facebook account. It is free. Once you have an account, login and search for "St. Francis Borgia Regional High School" using the search box on the top right. (Note that you must include the period after "St.") A list will appear; choose the one that has our complete name and click on the "Add as a Fan" button. Currently, additional information about the effort to replace the track and athletic field is posted there.

BORGIA FEST 2010

Mark your calendar now for the Borgia Fest which will be held on the Borgia campus on Friday, April 30 from 4 to 11 PM and again on Saturday, May 1 from 11 AM to 11 PM.

There will be 15 carnival rides, food, game booths, music, and fun for everyone!

Music will include bands for both teens and adults. A newly formed band will play Friday night from 7-11 PM and Butch Wax and the Hollywoods will play on Saturday night from 7-11 PM.



STUDENT EXCHANGE

Again this year, there will be a student exchange program between SFB RHS and Cardinal Ritter Prep in St. Louis.

Although the exact dates have not yet been set, teams of student leaders from the two schools are meeting in early February to work out the final details. On one day 40 students from Ritter will visit us at Borgia, and on another, 40 Borgia students will visit Ritter. Our bus typically leaves at 7:45 AM and returns by 3:00 PM.



Students will have time to tour the facility, discuss issues of interest, and shadow their host/hostess students. Last year's participants from both schools reported a highly successful and meaningful experience!

Only 40 students can participate: 30 upperclassmen (senior or junior) and 10 underclassmen (sophomore or freshman) will be chosen based on their application essay. To apply, a student must write an essay no longer than one page explaining why s/he thinks s/he would be a good participant in the Exchange Program. The student's name and grade level should appear ONLY in the upper right hand corner of the paper. All applications are due in the front office by no later than 3 PM on Friday, February 13.

Please contact Moira Vossbrink, Mr. Wingbermuehle, or Dr. Heger if you have any questions.

